Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

March 23, 2023

Chairwoman Granger Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member DeLauro Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Lake Powell Ferry Replacement Feasibility Study in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Utah Department of Transportation, located at 4501 South 2700 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84114. The funding would be used for UDOT by UDOT to conduct a feasibility study on the best option to connect State Road 278 between South and North to replace the currently inoperable ferry.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because as the water level has gone down in Lake Powell, the Ferry connecting Utah State Road 278 from South in Halls Crossing to North in Bullfrog has been rendered inoperable. The only alternative to get from south of Lake Powell to Bullfrog on the North is now a 3-hour drive around Lake Powell. This is harming the local community and economy in Bullfrog.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

John R. Curtis Member of Congress